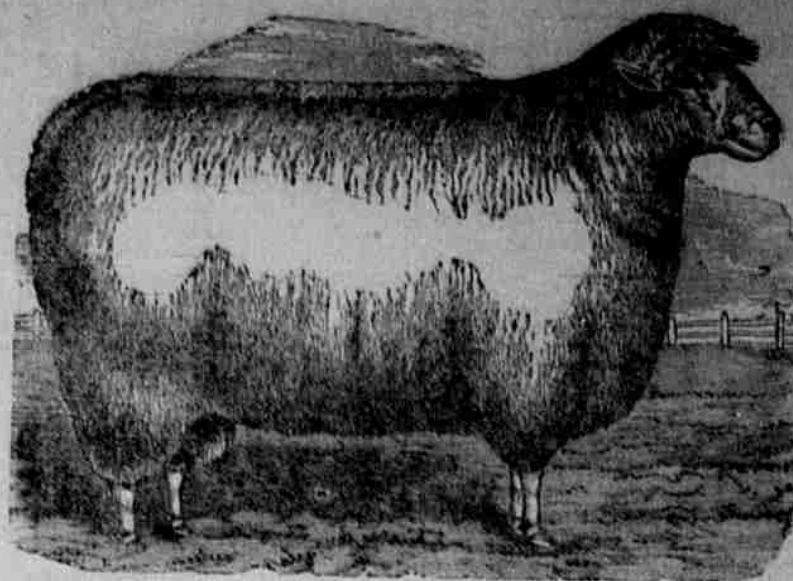


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#### Stock and Range News.

LEAKY, Dec. 11, 1883.

Correspondence of the Gazette.

A gentle rain commenced falling about 3 o'clock, slackened about six and began again about seven, and has continued constant but moderate up to present time, half past in the forenoon. This is favorable vegetation, provided it does not cease.

Stock is doing extremely well, considering the scarcity of grass. Have returned from a trip up to Kinble and find stock in bad condition, and much fear is expressed by men concerning the results to be shown in spring, as cattle are showing signs of poverty.

Lee Taylor started a bunch of fat cows on the 11th for San Antonio. There has been no demand for fat cattle in this section this year, though there are some very fine cattle for sale, only butcher stuff.

While traveling through this section country I find that our cattlemen are beginning to take the journal, and consequently they are uninformed regarding this year's changes in the business and the apparent decline in stock cattle. I urged them to subscribe and several promised to do so. Cattlemen in order to be successful must be informed concerning the stock market.

No Kansas buyers have been in this section, or in that of Kinble, either, they are anxious to sell at last spring's prices, but not less. We sold for \$12.50, sold for \$11.00 for ones and twos proportion.

West Texas is being flooded with stock from the east, northeast and west. Some 15,000 or 20,000 head have been driven into Edwards, western part of Kinble and Crockett counties this winter and last fall. 5000 head were turned loose on the head of Medina and Rio rivers. On the head of the Nueces, Rio, Medina and Guadalupe headwaters is a vast extent of country, totally uninhabited save a few sheep camps, and on these dividing lands is as fine and luxuriant grass as one could wish to find, owing to the scarcity of water and distance for cattle to travel in getting to it. It has hitherto been ignored, and within the last twenty months it has been, from necessity, compelled to occupy it. It is in state school and railroad land, in the main, and many of the occupants are contemplating a spring move on west and New Mexico. Men's ambition to secure free grass is at high ebb. In this section of which I speak there are many young beef cattle for sale. Some of the men contemplate gathering and driving towards Northern Texas and the spring in hopes of receiving better prices; others will hold over until they sell at home. Money is scarce, complaints loud, owing principally to the absence of the usual advance on cattle for the spring drive.

So far our winter has been nice and pleasant. We voted on the county seat of Edwards county on the 10th. As yet we do not know the result. The county seat is certainly designated, as there are but two competing points, Leakey and Bull-Head, the former on the Rio and the latter on the Nueces rivers.

Green B. Geer's pasture on the Llano, containing about one hundred acres, was cut about a week ago. This is an unprecedented outrage. It is the only pasture in that section, and too small to do any one any harm. We are in favor of a herd law, and in my opinion this is the only way the legislature can control this question.

and make an alike subservient to its mandate. This done, and Mr. Villain Fence-cutter and general incendiary will wish he had let well enough alone. Very little interest manifested in the school land business; few filing, and it is conceded that if men cannot control they will not own land. Fence-cutters are no more nor less than communists, and if allowed to dictate in this fence matter will introduce new features of communistic principles soon. J. B.

#### Panhandle Stock Association.

Texas Panhandle.

The regular semi-annual meeting of the Panhandle Stock Association was called to order on 1st instant by President O. H. Nelson, the following members answering at roll call:

H. W. Creswell, W. A. Young, N. T. Eaton, W. E. Edwards, Frank Latham, L. B. Nall, Perry LeFors, Earl W. Spencer, G. A. Brown, O. H. Nelson, H. H. Moore, W. L. R. Dickson, H. V. Rowe and Dan Cole.

Minutes of the last meeting read and approved.

The election of officers for the ensuing year was spirited, and in some instances the campaign had to be gone over several times because of even races. Results: O. H. Nelson, president; H. W. Creswell, first vice-president; Charles Goodnight, second vice-president; W. L. R. Dickson, secretary and treasurer.

On motion W. C. Polk was appointed assistant secretary.

On motion the salary of the secretary and treasurer was increased to \$250 per annum.

Harry McGahey and Samuel Pollard were elected to membership in the association.

Motion made and unanimously carried that a fine of \$5 be imposed upon each and every member who fails to attend any meeting of the association after having due notice of the same, either by postal card or by publication in the Panhandle for at least two weeks previous to the time of such meeting.

Moved and carried that the time for holding the spring meeting shall be on the second Tuesday in April of each year.

On motion it was decided that the time for holding the fall meeting shall be on Saturday of the first week of district court for Wheeler county.

On motion, a committee of three was appointed to examine the constitution and by laws of the association, and to make such changes as they may think for the best interests of the association; to be reported for consideration at the next regular meeting, to be held in April, 1884. Chas. Goodnight, H. T. Groom and G. A. Brown appointed by the chair as such committee.

J. R. Plummer, inspector for the association and for the Western Kansas Cattle Growers' association at St. Louis, submitted report of his season's work, which was received.

Meeting adjourned.

O. H. Nelson, President.

W. L. R. Dickson, Secretary.

#### A Cave-In.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., December 21.—The cave in the Pine Bridge colliery throws 400 men out of employment. Fire-lamp prevents tracing the cave at present.

#### Drowned.

Calais, Maine, December 19.—Wm. Wilson, Perry Truesdale, A. Rollins and S. MacFarland were drowned in the St. Andrews bay by the capsizing of a boat.

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